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Room, board costs to include May Term

ABOUT

FACE

What do you think of the decision to charge for May Term room and board?

**Ryan Strom, freshman**

"If they need to raise the costs up and it's going to help us out in the long run, then I'm okay with it. It's a good private school, and good schools have their price."

**Brady Smith, junior**

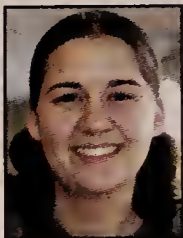
"They hike up tuition every year, and with that (May Term charge) piled on top of it, that really is a large due put on us."

Becky Sorensen, junior

"I just think it's hard because they want us all to go to college, yet they keep raising the costs."

Erin Grandgenett, junior

"I think it will encourage students to go on trips because if they'll be paying to be on campus, they might as well spend that money to travel."



By ALLISON SCHMIDT
Layout Editor

The total average cost to attend Wartburg next year will be \$27,480, an approximate increase of 9 percent. This year's increase includes the addition of a \$585 charge for May Term room and board, which the college has not charged for in the past.

According to Rich Seggerman, Wartburg chief business officer and treasurer, full-time students have been charged the same for 14 weeks in Fall Term as the 18 weeks in Winter and May Terms.

"We really can't continue to operate in that manner," Seggerman said. "We need to charge for the services being provided."

President Jack R. Ohle said the increase in enrollment has made it more difficult for the college to absorb the cost of May Term room and board.

In the past, students who have traveled during May Term have been reimbursed for their board expenses for the time that they were gone.

"We were giving students something back that we really didn't even charge for in the first place," Seggerman said.

Under the new policy, students who are gone at least five or more consecutive days will receive a proportional refund for room and board, which can then be used to offset their May Term costs. May Term will also continue to be required for all students.

Many students seemed understanding of the decision to charge for May Term room and board.

"Obviously students aren't going to like it, but I think it makes sense," junior Megan DeMeulenaere said. "I think it's good, too, that we'll get the money back if we're not on campus."

Tuition will also increase by \$1,270, a 6.6

percent increase over last year, bringing the cost of tuition alone to \$20,500. Ohle said most of the money will go toward academics, especially the cost of faculty.

According to Ohle, the new library position announced last year will be funded for next year, along with a new faculty position in the art department. A new communication arts faculty position has also been announced but will not be funded until next year at the earliest.

"Tuition is just going to go up every year no matter what," DeMeulenaere said. "It just seems like a lot more money now that you actually add it up. Room and board is starting to seem to be a lot of money."

The cost for standard housing will increase by \$265, while standard board will go up by \$105, totaling costs of \$2,815 and \$2,905, respectively. The charge for May Term room and board is a separate additional charge of \$285 for room and \$300 for board.

Next year's technology fee of \$250 is an increase of \$100, and the \$380 general fee charge includes a \$40 increase which will go toward programming in the student center.

The college has also increased financial aid by 9.3 percent to go toward merit-based scholarships for incoming students and toward aid for students who need financial assistance.

However, some current students are concerned that no increase will occur in the four-year Regents or Presidential scholarships. Seggerman said that increasing current students' merit-based scholarships is not a possibility; however, if a student's financial situation has changed significantly, it might be possible to increase his or her need-based aid.

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Cost Increase Comparison

*Comparison based on March 15, 2004 Trumpet

	Tuition	Housing	Board	Technology fee	General fee	May board	May housing	Total
2005-06 Costs	\$20,500	\$2,815	\$2,950	\$250	\$380	\$300	\$285	\$27,480
2004-05 Costs	\$19,230	\$2,550	\$2,800	\$150	\$320	\$0	\$0	\$25,050
Increase	\$1,270	\$265	\$150	\$100	\$60	\$300	\$285	\$2,430

State gives go ahead for Wartburg's special ed endorsement program

By SAM HUEY
Staff Writer

Wartburg's education department recently received state approval to provide a special education endorsement.

Next fall, Wartburg will offer Instructional Strategies I: Mild and Moderate as an additional endorsement for kindergarten through sixth-grade teachers. The endorsement will consist of five course credits along with student teaching, according to Dr. Cheryl Budlong, chair of the education department.

Two of these classes, Managing Behavior and Skills (ED 334) and Introduction to Mild and Moderate (ED 214), which includes field experience, will be offered next year. The other three classes will not be offered until the 2006-2007 school year, with one offered each term.

The classes will be offered at night, allowing local teachers and

people from the community to add them to their resumes.

Budlong said Wartburg added this program because there is a "huge need in the state and the nation for special education teachers."

Additionally, past Wartburg students have been lost to the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls because it offers six endorsements for special education. Prospective students have also requested a special education endorsement on many occasions.

The endorsement is a two-year program, so current freshmen and sophomores can still get the complete endorsement. Juniors this year, however, have the option to obtain a conditional license. According to Budlong, elementary schools across the country are allowing teachers to teach with half of the coursework for a special education endorsement completed. The additional work, however, must be finished within two years

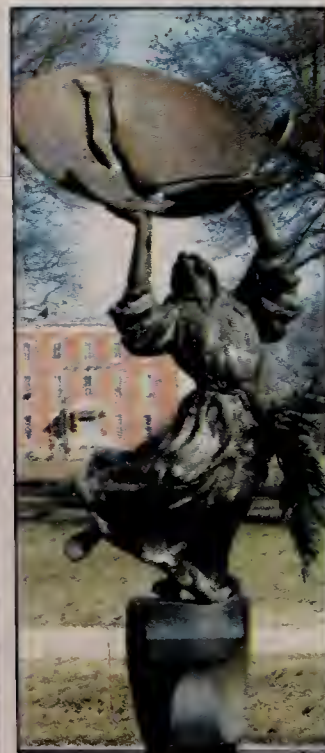
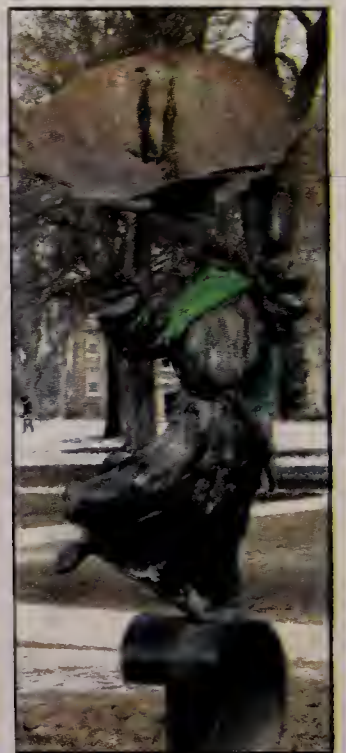
of getting the job.

Sophomore Scott Tjeerdsma is one elementary education major who will be starting work on the endorsement next fall. "I think it will greatly improve my chances of getting a job. Schools are always looking for special ed teachers," he said.

Tjeerdsma added, however, this endorsement will not change his post-college plans. "I will probably look for both special ed jobs and regular elementary education jobs. It depends on which I like better once I have more experience in special education through classes and student teaching," he added.

Budlong believes this addition to the education department will be of great interest to prospective students, making Wartburg one of only three schools in the Iowa conference with a special education program.

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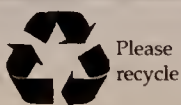
IN THE SPIRIT—Students dressed the St. Francis statue to celebrate the week's holidays. Palm branches were placed on St. Francis for Palm Sunday, left, and a green scarf was wrapped around the statue Thursday for St. Patrick's Day.

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Revel in March Madness

By ANDREW DRYSDALE
Columnist

Unless you live in a hole in the ground, you know what time of year it is- no, strike that, there really is no excuse for being unaware of what time of year it is. Yes, it is Lent, but no, the nation doesn't care about that nearly as much as it cares about the other March event: Madness. Cinderellas, sleepers, buzzer-beaters and, finally, a national champion.

Of course we as Americans are swept up in the tournament. Even if you're not a basketball fan, you at least know what's going on, and in surfing the television you can't help but come across a game being played by a school you've never heard of. My favorite this year: the Oakland Golden Grizzlies of



Michigan, with a stellar 12-18 record.

As proof that even people who wrinkle their nose at the sight of televised sports watch during March, I present this example from Winter Break while I was watching the Big Ten Tournament. While cursing the ineptitude of my Iowa Hawkeyes as they flailed against Michigan State, my mother yelled at me and told me to calm down and quit being so loud.

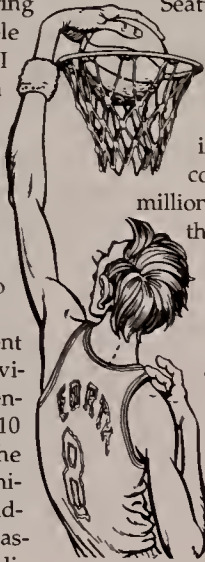
Not needing this, I went upstairs to the other television and continued threatening Steve Alford's life. Not 10 minutes later do I hear the high-pitched yelps and semi-intelligent cheering of a mildly knowledgeable female basketball fan coming from the living room. Being that there is only one female in my family it had to be my mom, the hypocrite.

March Madness also brings the tourney pool. If completed properly it can bring you \$4.5 million, as

Rick Neuheisel banked after suing the University of Washington and NCAA for improperly firing him after he entered a tourney pool in Seattle. A recent study concluded that if Americans

spend only 13 minutes per business day looking at scores and following the tournament, it could result in nearly \$890 million in lost productivity over the three weeks. If America is vulnerable to terrorists at any point in the year, it's March.

I have come to think of the bracket pool as almost a social barometer. Of course it isn't fool proof. If you don't like sports, or don't follow the games as closely, then you probably won't receive many invitations to join pools, but if you are even mildly aware and associate yourself with others who are at least mildly aware, then you will likely be asked to join at least one pool.



The number of pools you are asked to join can tell you just how many friends you really have. If you are a die-hard sports fan but get only one sympathy bracket from the guy down the hall, and even then only because you overheard him talking about it and had to beg for one you might want to reconsider your social strategy.

Similarly, if you are inundated with people knocking on your door and have so many brackets on your desk that you have forgotten which goes to whom and have taken out a small loan to pay entry fees, you should take five minutes and ask out that cute girl (or guy) who sits in the back of your econ class.

Whether you got 20 invites or two, don't let it ruin the madness for you, though. Make sure you enjoy the tournament; revel in your excused unproductiveness and love the Cinderella. But only root for her after your bracket goes to hell on the third day because of her.

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Oops! Res Life did it again

By COREY HELLAND
Columnist

I'm a wandering student - the Wartburg equivalent of a nomad. I've had 15 different roommates in three years. If I live in the Complex this May Term, then Knights Village, Lohe, and the Manors next year, I will have fulfilled the dorm version of hitting for the cycle. Why do I move around so much?

Two words: Residential Life.

Res Life has been notorious for taking advantage of their power during my career at Wartburg. According to the Student Handbook, "A student contracts for a space, not a specific room. The Res Life Office reserves the right to assign or reassign students." I learned this fact during my very first semester at college.

Due to overcrowding, my roommate and I were not placed in a normal room like every other first-year student - we lived in the Clinton RA office. It was difficult at times, but we got used to the strange living environment. Until, that is, November, when we were informed by the RHD that the RAs wanted their space back. Although I fought long and hard to maintain



my living quarters, I was evicted at the beginning of Winter Term.

The hassle of moving to another room was not my main complaint. Mostly, I didn't want to leave my new friends. Even though Res Life recommends getting to know the others on your floor, they were quick to put themselves ahead of my personal growth; they saw me only as a number on a sheet of paper.

Still, after this faux pas, the Res Life Office changed nothing and managed to make yet another blunder my second year in school.

A few weeks prior to returning to campus, I learned that the Res Life Office took it upon themselves to break up my suite of roommates after one person decided to transfer. The end result was me living with one person I knew and two first-year students I did not know. Again, I made the best of the situation, but still moved out at semester break.

Then, of course, there was last year's well-publicized mistake regarding the Residence. Through a series of mistakes and miscommunication, 13 groups were accepted into the 12 available spots. The slip-up carried over to this year when the 12th group moved off-campus and the last spot was given to freshmen, instead of the deserving 13th group.

Remembering Res Life's past antics while preparing for this year's housing sign-up, I was excited this year to hear that Pete Armstrong

finally took a step in the right direction-Knights Village sign-up was earlier than the rest of housing sign-up. This gave seniors a chance to consider other options if they didn't get into the Village.

What a novel idea! I mean really, in this revolutionary age where video gamers are considered athletes by some, why wouldn't Res Life attempt to make housing sign-up as painless as possible?

Unfortunately, as is the case with the Res Life Office, they managed to take one step forward and two steps back. Res Life thought it reasonable to inform students whether or not they were accepted for off-campus housing after Knights Village sign-up. Any fool can see this put fourth-year students who were denied off-campus housing in a tough spot. Thankfully, this year there was an unusually small amount of interest in the Village and students were given a second chance. But once again, Res Life managed to shoot itself in the foot.

Res Life finally made a legitimate attempt to change its reputation of ineptitude. Though it didn't succeed by any means, Res Life is starting to make a turn in the right direction. I can only hope that by the time this year's freshman class graduates, the Res Life Office will have finally gotten its act together.

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

In response to Mr. Kordahl's column in the Feb. 28 Trumpet, we would like to express dissenting opinion. As passionate lovers of justice and individuals who participate in the fight for fair treatment of all people as an expression of our faith, we find that Mr. Kordahl understands both human nature and Wartburg campus to be disturbing. While it is true that an exorbitant amount of money has gone into the expansion and maintenance of Wartburg facilities, this is hopefully for the common good. We do not believe ourselves to be alone in seeing our education as essential in the betterment of humanity.

Without a science center, future physicians and researchers would have nowhere to learn tools they may use to cure disease or help eradicate hunger. Without modern technology and decent facilities, future social workers, educators and clergy would never learn how to instill a passion for justice in future genera-

tions. Without a cafeteria, we would have nowhere to eat.

Mr. Kordahl's understanding of our personal responsibility "for bringing death to the world by participating in this terrible system" is short-sighted. If Wartburg had donated the \$88 million to hunger relief efforts and 17,600 people lived one year longer because of it, 17,600 people would still die. They would just die a year older. If, idealistic as it sounds, a Wartburg graduate finds the cure for AIDS as a result of his/her capitalization on the resources provided by Wartburg facilities, millions of lives could be saved.

"Knowledge for its own sake" is not the goal of many Wartburg students' education. We suggest Mr. Kordahl examine his own motives for his college career, rather than generalizing them to all of higher education.

Stephanie Schwartz '06
Allison Heille '06

Blow your horn

Editor's note: This is a section that allows readers to submit an anonymous opinion in two sentences or less. Send submissions for "Blow Your Horn" to trumpet@wartburg.edu.

■ Why didn't President Ohle in his letter to parents and students come right out and tell us the percent increase in tuition and costs?

■ The pie in the Mensa on Sunday was great!

■ Why isn't Wartburg on the same break schedule as other schools? It would have been nice to have this week off to enjoy March Madness!

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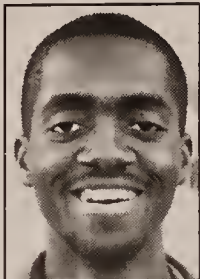
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International students' tuition dilemma

By DELFORD DOHERTY
Columnist

It's that time of the school year when students are in frustration about the rise in tuition, and everyone is concerned, irrespective of where the money is coming from. I was having a chat about this with some friends when one of them asked about how international students pay to attend Wartburg. This individual, for some odd reason, believed that most (if not all) international students have their full tuition covered by Wartburg College.



I hate to generalize, but this is a notion that irritates most (if not all) international students. Throughout this column I will throw some light onto the financial concerns of most (or at least some) of the international students at Wartburg College.

International students, like all Wartburg students, get some amount of scholarship to subsidize their tuition. I don't personal-

ly know of any international student who is on full ride and does not have to pay any money for their education at Wartburg. Although there is a scholarship for high performance available, it has a maximum limit of \$3,000 per term. Putting all this together, international students, either through their family or other sources, still have to come up with a good sum of money each school year.

Interestingly a good percentage of us (international students) cannot directly gain access to the student loans available to students here in the United States for two main reasons. First, because we are not American citizens and most of us lack a good credit history; and second, because we are required to have an American cosigner with a good credit history.

As far as I know, finding someone with a good credit history who is willing to sign on your behalf is not as easy as getting Tammy Jo to "be orange" at a Wartburg-Luther game. But that is just a glimpse into the financial predicaments of international students.

Since loans are not an option for most of us, international students then depend on two major financial sources: working on- or off-campus, and/or financial support

from home. If you pick up a lot of work hours and you are a full-time student, you probably understand the effect of work on your performance in class and other campus activities.

As for those who depend entirely on funds from home, it is ridiculous to know how much a \$27,000 education can end up costing. Most international students are from countries with struggling economies (or economies that are not doing as well as the U.S. economy) where the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and local currency is high. For example, \$1 is about Le 5,800 (in Sierra Leone), or about 9000 Ghanaian cedis, or about 78 Nepalese Rupee and about 8.3 Chinese Yuan.

Therefore, for example, a Ghanaian student paying \$10,000 a year at Wartburg pays about 90,000,000 cedis a year. Although this number might appear to be extreme in your judgment, trust me, it is the absolute truth.

Yes, I know that some currencies like the Japanese Yen or the Euro (for some Europeans) are better in value than the U.S. dollar, but most international students still end up paying more for their education because it costs a fortune to do bank transfers between other countries and the

United States. By the last time I checked, it costs about \$15 to transfer every \$100 between here and most African states using Western Union. This is the living reality of most international students at Wartburg College.

Believe me, this column is not meant to brag or win your empathy by expressing our financial predicaments in your face. The purpose of this article is to let you know that like the rest of campus, we feel the full impact of any change in the financial structure and demands of the school.

As the clock ticks and the moments fly by, most of us live through each day enjoying its peace and challenges. Like the rest of campus we flutter around homework, tests, sports and all that is offered on campus. But as much as we live and enjoy the moment, we pay the full emotional and monetary price.

Being an international student does not make our student life any easier, and meeting our financial obligations is just a fraction of our many challenges at Wartburg College.

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Editorials

Invest in tuition

Attending Wartburg College next year isn't going to be cheap, as the total cost reaches over \$27,000, an increase of nearly 9 percent. Tuition alone will increase by 6.6 percent, compared to 5.95 percent last year.

But among 23 ELCA and Iowa conference institutions including Wartburg, last year's tuition increases ranged from 3.95 to 9.95 percent, with an average increase of 6.38 percent. So it may be comforting for current students and families to know that Wartburg has typically been in the middle of the pack regarding tuition increases.

On the other hand, it isn't comforting to consider what that means for the future. It is hard to estimate, let alone comprehend, what the price of a private college education will be years down the road when the time comes for our own children to attend college. But is there anything we can do about it?

It seems inevitable that the costs of tuition, room and board are going to continue to increase year after year. So perhaps the only thing we can do is prepare for the future now. A new college savings plan option is the Independent 529 Plan, which allows a person to lock in today's tuition costs for the future by purchasing certificates. For example, purchasing a certificate for a \$27,000 tuition today would be worth a full year of tuition, no matter what the price, in years ahead.

The certificates are not purchased for a specific college and will be valid at any college participating in the plan, as long as the student is accepted and enrolled. Wartburg, Buena Vista University, Central College, Loras College and Luther College are among 11 Iowa schools currently participating in the plan.

There is little we can do about the growing price of a college education, but with savings options like the Independent 529 Plan, we can at least begin to prepare for the college education of our children.

Sexuality convocations valuable

Independent of your views on sexuality, the college should be commended for taking action on the issue even if the ELCA is not. Pastor Larry Trachte and Dr. Penni Pier have organized a series of convocations to help students consider issues of faith and sexuality.

In a liberal arts school, educating students on a variety of topics is the No. 1 goal. This college has risen to that challenge and is attempting to educate students on the issue of faith and sexuality. These convocations are designed to help students form their own opinions via exposure to the topic.

It would have been all too easy for the college to follow the church's lead and avoid discussion on the topic. But instead, it is taking a risk and talking about a hot-button issue, which will benefit all of us in the long run.

Although this may be a difficult topic to address, get out there and face it. Remember the old adage, knowledge is power. This institution is taking a risk for us, so show your appreciation and attend these convocations. They are at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 29, and Tuesday, April 12, in Neumann Auditorium.

Important for U.S. to control crossing of illegal immigrants

By JON PALMQUIST
Columnist

As with most people when I go to bed late at night I make sure that all the doors in my house are locked. I usually do this so that no unknown person can easily enter my house. Many people I know also install security systems, especially if they live in a nicer house or in a bad neighborhood.



This only makes sense so as to protect themselves from harm intended for them from other people. If I were a person who had a death threat on my head I would probably have even more intense measures to keep myself safe. None of this would be viewed as discriminatory or offensive.

As for our country, it is rather clear that there are people who would like to come here for many reasons - some for financial gain, some for slightly more devious reasons, possibly terrorism. Now, in my mind it would seem reasonable that I would, at the very least, want to know who exactly is entering my house, should I choose to let them. The same should be reasonable for our country. If I choose to

let people in my house I would also set boundaries as to what people can and cannot do while in my house. The same seems reasonable and fair for our country.

What is disturbing, however, is that there are many people who disagree. The problem starts with Mexican President Vincente Fox. This president actively encourages his people to run across our borders. Recently he said "We are convinced that walls don't work. They should be torn down." This is in response to the proposed "triple wall" that is planned for the San Diego area.

As with anybody who wants in somewhere, of course they are going to ask first if the door can be unlocked and opened. It is not only Mexican President Vincente Fox who thinks this but also groups who support and aid illegal border crossings, claiming that keeping these people out of our country is discriminatory. I understand the intent of these groups is to help people, but we must also watch out for our own national security.

The problem with letting anybody into our country without at least mak-

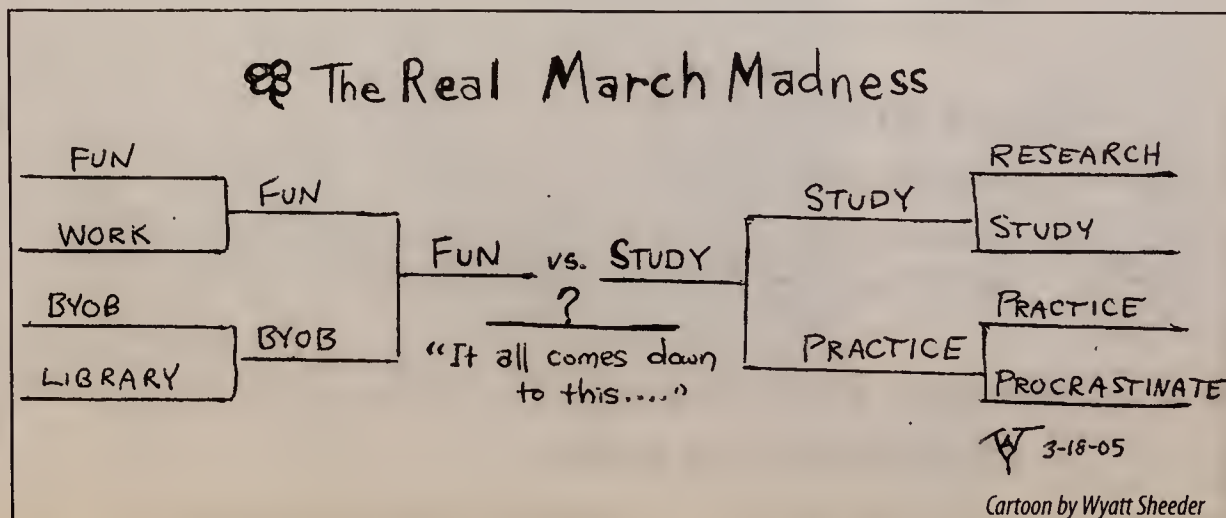
ing a record of who they are is that we don't know who has entered our country. Just like somebody who has a death threat on his or her head, the U.S. must also be wary of those who enter.

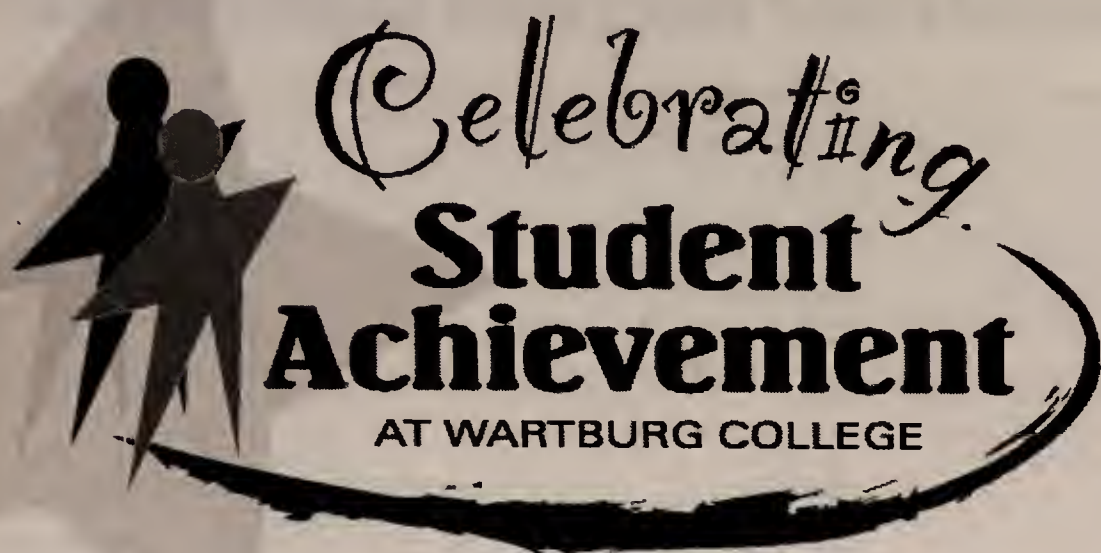
"This is not an issue of discrimination, rather one of self-preservation. We do not need to stop immigration; we just need to get a handle on it."

In what is supposed to be a gesture of goodwill, anybody may get a driver's license in California, this includes illegal aliens who just might be terrorists. This is extremely dangerous as the only identification needed to board planes, rent cars and get nearly anywhere in this country is a driver's license.

This is not an issue of discrimination, rather it is one of self-preservation. We do not need to stop immigration; we just need to get a handle on it. Just as I am likely to open the doors of my house to a friend who needs a place to stay, we as a country should continue to be a place of hope. Even so, I will continue to lock my doors and look through the peephole when somebody knocks to see who it is and whether I should open the door.

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Saemann Student Center

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McCoy East, Saemann Student Center

Thursday, April 14, 3-5:30 p.m.

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Heritage Room, Saemann Student Center

Saturday, April 16, 5 p.m.

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Saturday, May 28, 2 p.m.

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Burning Questions?

Q: How is preference given to students when registering for classes?

A: It is based on classification of year and requirements for graduation. Typically those who need a class for their major will be given a spot before those who would fulfill an essential education requirement, according to registrar Sheree Covert. Minor degrees are not considered in preference order.

Q: Why do we celebrate St. Patrick's Day?

A: St. Patrick's Day celebrates the death of St. Patrick March 17, in what is currently believed to be the year 491 A.D. According to his own writings, St. Patrick was kidnapped and used as a slave in Ireland during his youth before escaping to Britain and then returning as a Catholic missionary. He famously used the shamrock to illustrate the idea of the Christian Trinity and is fabled to have driven snakes out of Ireland, although this may be a reference to Druids, often symbolized by snakes.

Send Burning Questions to trumpet@wartburg.edu before Thursday.

Weekly Record

Campus security

Feb. 22
Car keyed in B lot.

Feb. 24
Hall director reported rooms in Founders Hall receiving obscene phone calls. Caller was male and targeting females' rooms.

Feb. 27
Security observed a girl attempting to enter the FAC after it had been locked. Further investigation revealed she was extremely intoxicated and under 21. She did not possess an ID. Waverly Police was called, and she was taken into custody.
Security responded to a suspicious sound by the FAC and found two students under 21 with alcohol on their breath and acknowledged drinking. One had possession of a drivers license that said student was over 21.

A student reported a window broken in his girlfriend's car. Further investigation revealed a total of five cars with broken windows between First Avenue and Fifth Avenue Northwest.

March 14
A student in Grossmann Hall reported items missing from her room while on Winter Break. Other students lived in her room during this time. Missing rings were found in the restroom and returned. Investigation continues.

A student in Vollmer Hall reported cash missing from her room while she was gone. No sign of forced entry and door was locked. No further information. Investigation continues.

Waverly Police

Feb. 19
Lindsey Brookshire, 19, Ayrshire, was arrested for public intoxication.

Magistrate

Abbylee Jean Rod, 19, Waverly, pleaded guilty to possession of alcohol under the legal age, first offense, \$100 fine.

Marc William Numedahl, 20, Waverly, pleaded guilty to possession of alcohol under the legal age, \$100 fine.

Jenna Wesley Anderson, 19, Waverly, pleaded guilty to possession of alcohol under the legal age, first offense, \$100 fine.

State of Iowa v.

April Jo Jacobson, 24, Waverly, charged with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, first offense.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

PAVEMENT POUNDERS TO HOST 5K RACE

The Pavement Pounders will host a 5K race to benefit Heartland Habitat for Humanity at 9 a.m. April 9, beginning at Redeemer Lutheran Church. Registration will take place from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. Participants may pay a pre-registration of \$18 through April 8 by calling Matt Pries at Ext. 8680 or Erin Grandgenett at Ext. 7178. Race-day registration is \$20.

RESUMANIA

Pathways will offer resume help at 11:30 a.m. March 29 or at 7 p.m. March 30 on the third floor of the library. Meet outside Pathways. For more information contact Liz Andrews at liz.andrews@wartburg.edu.

JOHN O. CHELLEVOLD AWARD WINNERS

Dr. Bill Withers, associate professor of communication arts, and Deena Kazda, dining services checker, won the 2005 John O. Chellevold Award for Excellence in Teaching and 2005 Outstanding Staff Award, respective-

Sexuality convocations cause conflict

By NATHAN COUNTRYMAN
Assistant News Editor

Wartburg started the "Decisions About Difference: Considering Issues of Faith and Sexuality" convocation series Tuesday with a panel discussing "Alternative Sexual Identity and Discovery" and a free showing of "The Laramie Project."

The convocation series was coordinated by the Rev. Larry Trachte, college pastor, and Dr. Penni Pier, assistant professor of communication arts.

"We decided to host these convocations because the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church of America) is holding an ongoing dialogue on the issue, and being a college associated with the church and seeing how divisive this issue is amidst the church was our original impetus for holding these convocations," Pier said. "It's most important for us to start a discussion that allows people to feel free and safe to ask questions, find answers and be exposed to wider viewpoints."

Trachte said the convocation series was one of three events this year to discuss sexuality on campus, in answer to Bishop Steven Ullestad's request the churches and

colleges in the Northeastern Iowa Synod monitor and respond to issues of sexuality. Other events include the seven-week Bible study on sexuality later this term as well as the final convocation titled "Decisions About Difference," featuring opposing viewpoints on the issues of sexuality, at 11:30 a.m. April 12 in Neumann Auditorium.

Trachte said the convocation series has come under attack by some area pastors after sending out invitations inviting them to come to the convocation series.

"We've been asked why we're doing this and accused of promoting a pro-gay agenda," Trachte said. "We're not apologizing, and we're not trying to choose a side either pro or con on the issue. We're just trying to help educate students on the variety of sexual issues the church is facing."

The issues of sexuality will come to the foreground at the 2005 convention of the ELCA, a church-wide assembly, this summer. At the convention, two specific issues relating to homosexuality in the church will be discussed: whether to bless gay unions and whether gays and lesbians should be ordained into ministry.

"I'm glad the church is discussing this

issue but sad this issue threatens to divide us," Trachte said.

The convocation series will continue at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday with a discussion on the "Issues of Gay Marriage, Family and Adoption," in Neumann Auditorium. Junior Angela Ohrt will moderate the panel discussion, which will focus on legal issues relating to gay, bisexual, lesbian and transsexual individuals.

The convocation series continues March 29 with a discussion about "Gay and Lesbian Ordination in Today's Church" at 11:30 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium. That same day, poet and activist Staceyann Chin will perform at 7 p.m. in Neumann Auditorium.

Pier said Wartburg should be grateful to have a speaker like Staceyann Chin.

"It's great that she'll be coming to the heartland to speak. She is ... not native to the U.S. and, as such, has differing political and social ideals," Pier said. "We're very fortunate she agreed to come."

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Decisions About Difference Events

Issues of Gay Marriage, Family, and Adoption

Tuesday, March 22, 11:30 a.m.

Gay and Lesbian Ordination in Today's Church

Tuesday, March 29, 11:30 a.m.

Staceyann Chin

Tuesday, March 29, 7 p.m.

Decisions about Difference

Tuesday, April 12, 11:30 a.m.

All events in Neumann Auditorium

REMEMBRANCE—

Juniors T.J. Raymer and Jessica Randall participated in the peace vigil hosted by Students for Peace and Justice. The vigil was held to commemorate the one-year anniversary of the day the Iraq War began.

Erin Manson/TRUMPET



Wartburg West enrollment for Fall, Winter Terms drop

By MATT POPOWSKI
Staff Writer

Fewer Wartburg students are enrolling in Wartburg West during Fall and Winter Terms, but applications for summer internships in Denver, Colo., exceeded the 20 slots available for the first time this year.

The Wartburg West committee met recently to determine what the "migration" toward summer session meant and found the enrollment statistics indicate a successful program. More students are taking advantage of the summer session.

"We're not troubled by the Wartburg West numbers at all," Dr. Kevin Fiene, director of the Wartburg West committee, said.

Bonita Bock, co-director of Wartburg West, took a slightly different stance. Empty slots during the year mean students are "missing out on an incredibly unique program" that would prepare them better for independent and urban life and a career.

She stated Fall and Winter Terms are a different experience, and the students come to know Denver's history and

urban issues better.

Some students prefer summer because it interferes less with required classes and special events on campus throughout the year.

"It is easier to spend a summer out there than coordinate the class schedule," senior Lexie Jansonius, public relations major, said about Wartburg West. Bock stated reaching younger students sooner in their advising may ease the difficulty of enrolling during the academic year.

Wartburg West offers student teaching, internships and social work in a diverse urban setting not accessible in Iowa. Many students cite the big-city life as their top reason for being interested.

"We can't simulate the diversity that you can experience at Wartburg West," Fiene said.

Wartburg West, established by Wartburg College in 1985, added summer and May Term opportunities in 1998.

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Newsroom veteran Price will retire at 82

By TINA HINZ
News Editor

Iowa broadcast legend Grant Price, 82, will retire in May after 15 years of "soaking up Wartburg juices" in his blood in the communication arts department.

Price, professor emeritus of communication arts, started teaching a single Wartburg course in fall 1990 after being invited here by Bob Vogel, a former Wartburg president, and Harry Slife, retired CEO of Black Hawk Broadcasting and former Board of Regents chair. Price had just retired as vice president for news and public affairs at KWWL-TV in Waterloo, although he continued to do public affairs and editorials for another two years.

"I was grateful for the fact KWWL wasn't going to turn me out the door completely ... but obviously that wasn't going to continue indefinitely," Price said.

"I had a lot of uncertainty about whether I should be trying, at my stage of life, to suddenly become a teacher and whether I could even do that," he added. "It turns out I managed to get by with it, at least, ... at a time in my life when most seniors don't have that type of opportunity."

He wasted no time influencing others with his career experience and helping develop Wartburg's electronic journalism program to include television in addition to the few radio courses.

When he arrived, communication arts dealt mostly with print journalism. The department was then housed in the former two-story Neumann House across from Neumann Auditorium.

"On the ground floor was the J-Lab (journalism lab),



Grant Price

which had some funny-looking computers in it," Price recalled. "The radio station was in Players Theatre behind the stage, a pretty miserable-looking radio center."

Communication arts then moved to its current location in the McElroy Communication Arts Center, formerly known as Liemohn Hall of Music. The renovated area allowed space for the birth of the student-run WTV8 and its studio and control room.

Students debuted the new television equipment for broadcasting in its first program May 18, 1992, after the formal dedication ceremony of the building. The discussion program included a panel of speakers on "Communication Arts in the 21st Century."

"The first very crude television program we did I will always remember. Most of us had a very limited understanding how it (equipment) was used," Price said, "and I will always compare it very unfavorably with what the students today are capable of doing with television production."

"That was really a magnet for students interested in getting into the field of communications," Price said.

Price recently gave Wartburg a \$2 million gift to leave part of himself and his wife, Fadra, in the classroom. The money will fund the Grant L. Price Department Chair's position in communication arts; an addition to the annual Fadra F. Price Communication Arts Scholarship; and a significant addition to the endowment of the Archives of Iowa Broadcasting, a project Price helped initiate with Dr. Jeff Stein, assistant professor of communication arts, to collect the history of radio and television in Iowa. The money also will establish the Grant L. Price Scholarship.

"I take great satisfaction in ... seeing the way it (communication arts) has attracted students and then to see how much students have enjoyed doing it," Price said. "We all have our little dust-ups from time to time, but by and large, this (communication arts department) is a very



Trumpet archives

IMPARTING WISDOM—Grant Price assists students in the newly remodeled Communication Arts Center in 1992.

happy place. It's fun to be around here."

Price won't "disappear completely" from Wartburg but will continue to work with the Iowa archives project. So far, nearly 100 oral interviews have been recorded with people who have early experiences with broadcasting. Artifacts also are on display in the broadcasting archives on the third floor of Vogel Library.

"Come in with a curious mind about everything: 'I don't quite believe all of that' or 'tell me more.' Then (one needs) the ability to convert that into understandable language you can convey meaningfully to other people," Price advised to incoming communication arts majors.

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Knights Village still has rooms available for next year

By TINA HINZ
News Editor

Knights Village has yet to be filled since its sign up March 1. Three six-person and two four-person apartments with double rooms are still available for next year, as well as four single rooms in a male apartment.

After talking with numerous students, Hal DeLaRosby, assistant director of residential life, said the lack of interest seems to be a combination of things. Some prefer Lohe Hall to Knights Village, while others are concerned about the added expense.

"For the past five years (since it was built in 2000), Knights Village was the new thing, but for students not seniors last year, Knights Village has always been there," DeLaRosby said. "They don't see it as new and exciting."

Next year's cost to live in Knights Village has not been finalized. Since 2002, it's been \$3,800 per year without the required five-per-week meal plan. In comparison, Clinton Hall currently costs \$2,550 without board.

Each apartment offers a kitchen, dining area, living room and bathrooms in addition to bedrooms. DeLaRosby said the

apartment-style living is more like transitional housing into a real-world setting, and students typically share some groceries and other costs.

"Students may be scared off by the sticker price, but if they take advantage of the Pick 5 (meal plan) and are diligent about their grocery money, it's pretty close or cheaper (in price with living in other residence halls)," DeLaRosby said.

Residential life is working with Student Senate to help determine ways to fill the apartments to capacity by potentially changing resident criteria. In the past, Senate asked that Knights Village be kept

for seniors only and that students on social or academic probation not be allowed.

Last year, filling Knights Village "worked out perfectly," DeLaRosby noted. Just as many people wanted apartments as spaces available.

Any group interested in living in a Knights Village apartment can sign up in the residential life office from now until April 1.

The general housing sign-up is April 4 to 6.

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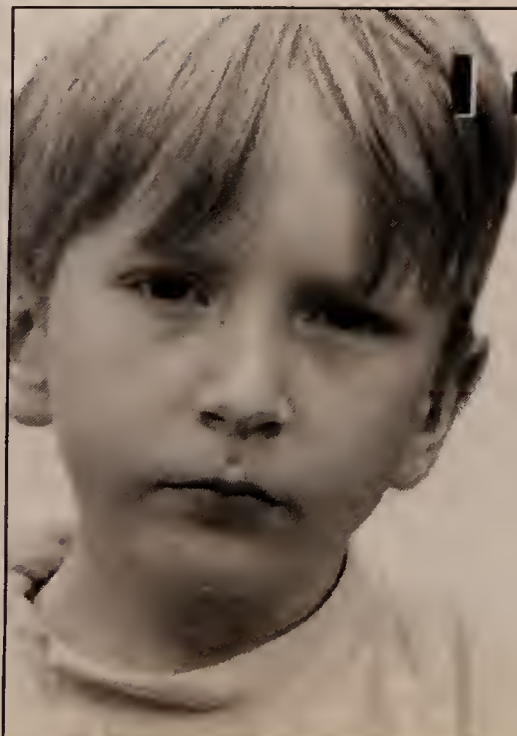


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TUG OF WAR—Sophomore Justin Harken plays with Adrien at Cedar Bend Humane Society in Waterloo. Harken, like many others, participated in campus-wide service days Friday and Saturday.

Learning through service

By ERICA SWANSON
Features Editor

The service trip groups returned to campus this week after spending their breaks serving others. For some students, this experience has changed the way they view the world.

Some trips, such as the service trip to Minneapolis, worked to relieve world hunger. Students worked in organizations such as food banks that provide nutritious food for starving children in Haiti. According to junior Allison Heille, co-leader of the group with junior Christina Hanson, "everything went well," and the trip was a "positive experience."

The highlight of the trips was "getting to know all of the people on it," especially international students, Heille said. It was "a chance to hear where everyone was coming from."

Hanson agreed, saying "we had a lot of fun getting to know each other."

The students who traveled to San Antonio volunteered at a senior center as well as soup kitchens, the Catholic Worker

House and individual projects. According to freshman Shantel Leary, "I served people I did not know with people I did not know."

The trip allowed group members to learn from each other as well. Leary said, "Each individual on the trip challenged the beliefs I held and made me rethink why I was here to serve."

Students participating in the Delaware trip helped restore an old World War II military fort that will eventually become a museum. They also filled sandbags for the Delaware Seashore State Park to prevent soil erosion. According to senior Amy Kielblock, "although it was different than most of the other service trips because we did environmental work rather than directly working with people, the work that we did will affect future generations and that was very fulfilling to know."

The Delaware trip was Kielblock's first service trip and she said, "it was definitely one of the best experiences of my life."

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Experiencing Life

This new section provides an outlet for guest writers to tell a life-altering experience to readers who want to compare notes on "Experiencing Life." Each week, one student or member of the faculty, staff or administration will share an experience he/she had that made an enormous impact on his/her life and led to self-realization. The writers will simply share a personal story that opened their eyes to the vast world beyond the Wartburg campus. If interested in writing, contact diversity correspondent Erin Wright at Erin.Wright@wartburg.edu.

By ERIN WRIGHT
Diversity Correspondent

Shouts of "una foto, una foto," big brown eyes and a little girl named Estrella come to mind when I think about an experience that had a huge impact on my life. I studied in Mexico last May term, and we took an afternoon tour of Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos (Our Little Brothers and Sisters). It is a home for orphaned, abandoned or abused children which provides shelter, food, clothing, health care and an education from preschool through college.

At the end of our tour, the guides took us to meet the preschool-aged children,

and I absolutely fell in love. I immediately pulled my camera out of my purse, and the children shouted, "una foto," and tackled my legs until I took a picture of them. Their big brown eyes went straight through my camera lens and are permanently engraved in my heart. While I was playing in a toy house with several children, I asked one of the girls her name. "Estrella," she replied. Estrella, which is "star" in English, giggled, jumped up and down uncontrollably, sucked on her lollipop and managed to talk nonstop the whole time I was there. At one point, I asked Estrella what she wanted to do when she grew up. "Una doctora," she answered. I was stunned—that was exactly what I wanted to do. It took one little girl, one thousand miles away from home, for me to realize that despite our obvious differences, we were dreaming the same thing.

I think about Estrella and the orphanage all the time, and the tour has become one of my most meaningful experiences. It has taught me never to be afraid to ask questions and listen, because there's always something hidden beneath the surface.

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Contributed by Erin Wright

ALL SMILES—Sophomores Nicole Murphy, left, and Erin Wright, right, spend quality time with orphanage children.



Photo courtesy of cinema.com

THE INCREDIBLES

Voices of:
Craig T. Nelson, Samuel L. Jackson, Jason Lee & Holly Hunter

Director
Brad Bird

By NATHAN COUNTRYMAN
Movie Reviewer

With superhero movies coming at a dime a dozen anymore, it's getting harder to find movies that are as good as the source material they're based upon. "The Incredibles" isn't one of those movies, mainly because it doesn't originate from any comic books to begin with, but as a comedic look at superheroes, it is a success.

Made by Pixar and Disney, the masterminds behind such classics as "Toy Story" and "Finding Nemo," "The Incredibles" follows the exploits of a superhero family who are not to use their powers in public, due to the outcomes of several court cases 15 years previously. With the arrival of the villain Syndrome (voiced by Jason Lee), however, the superhero family is faced with the dilemma of protecting the world from the villain's evil schemes and compromising the promise made to the public previously.

This movie has a lot of good things going for it. First, the voicing of the characters is top notch. From

the voice of Bob Parr/Mr. Incredible (voiced by Craig T. Nelson), to that of Edna Mode (voiced by Brad Bird), to Frozone (voiced by Samuel L. Jackson) the characters stand out through the voices of those behind them. Secondly, the movie is very well animated, especially for Pixar, whose computer-animated features have blown audiences away with each movie. "The Incredibles" blew me away in several scenes. If this is the route superhero movies will be taking, you've found a fan already. The movie's animation was on par, if not better, than the CGI in "Spider-Man 2" and several scenes had me on the edge of my seat while viewing it, reminding me of elements from the "Indiana Jones" and "Star Wars" trilogies upon first viewing them.

My only complaint with this movie is that the major heroes clone the powers of Marvel's Fantastic Four instead of coming up with their own. The only member of the Fantastic Four that's missing is the Human Torch, and if you watch closely in the end, that might not even be true. The powers are great to have and make for some very

great visuals on screen, but with the Fantastic Four movie being released this summer, people might get the two confused and not realize that Marvel's superheroes actually came first.

As for special features, the two-disc set is loaded with enough extras to keep fans of all ages entertained. From talking with the creators about making the movie in the "Making of The Incredibles," to the profiles of all of the superheroes either mentioned or briefly alluded to in the movie, it is apparent the producers did a lot of work in preparing this movie. Even in the deleted scenes, you can see the work that went into making this movie terrific.

This movie is Disney/Pixar's best to date. It's too bad that these two companies recently split, because this movie just proves how well these two companies worked with one another, far surpassing their own movies each time. Rent or buy a copy of this movie today, and you won't be disappointed.

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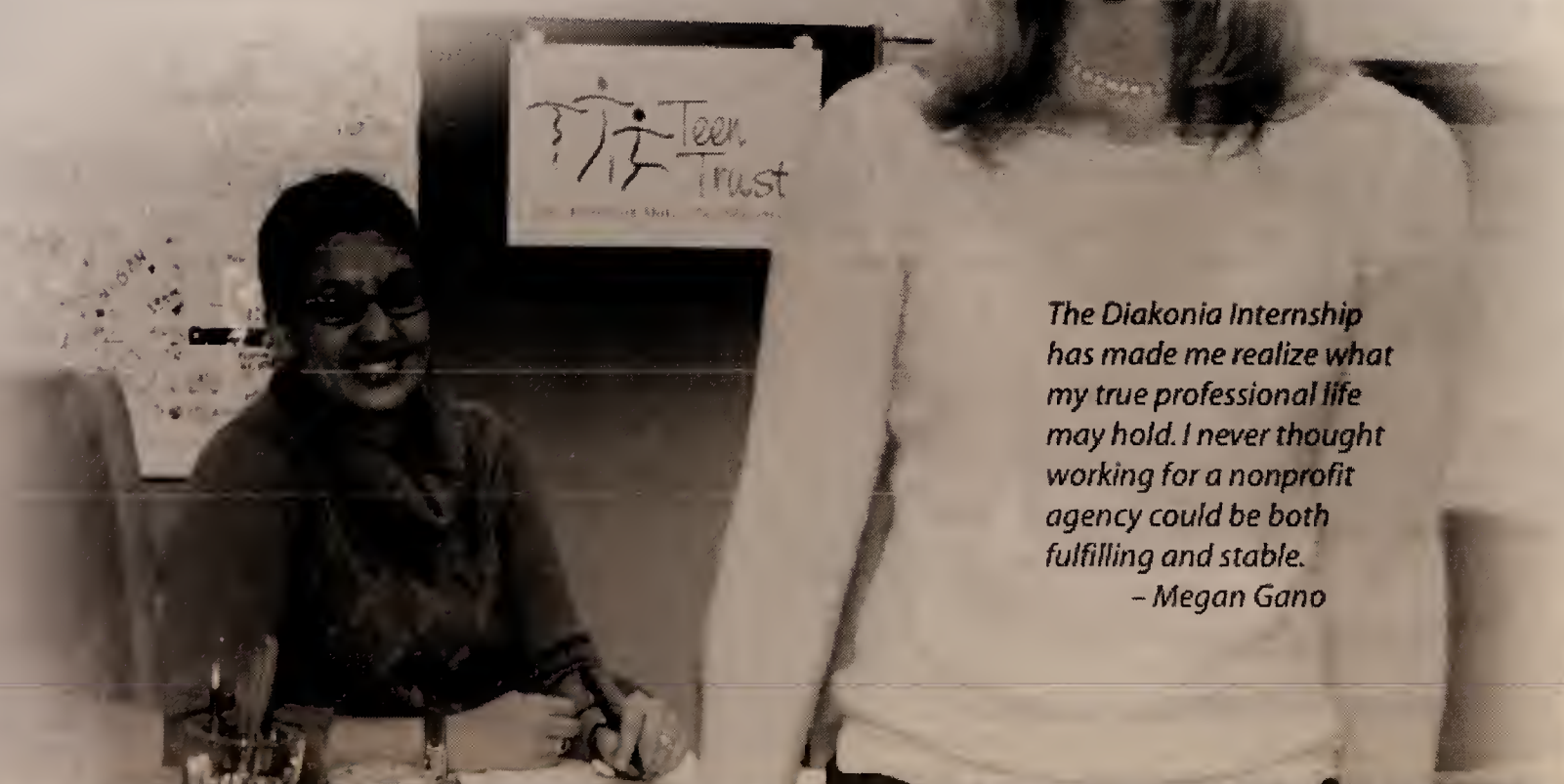
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— Megan Gano

To participate in 2005-2006, ask your academic adviser or contact Dr. Anna Sims Bartel at ext. 8396 or anna.bartel@wartburg.edu.

Israeli-Palestinian women will share

By RYAN HAHN
Staff Writer

An Israeli Jew, Palestinian Muslim and Palestinian Christian will be speaking about their views on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict at 7:30 p.m. April 3 in Neumann Auditorium.

The women are sponsored by an organization called "Partners for Peace" in Washington, D.C., that is trying to promote peace in and understanding of the Middle East through dialogue.

The Rev. Dr. Fred Strickert, professor of religion, is one of the driving forces in

bringing these women to Wartburg.

"This kind of presentation models for us the kind of dialogue that should take place in our society. The three women will likely have different views and beliefs, but they agree to discuss them in a civil and peaceful way," Strickert said.

"One of the most powerful ways for situations to become real and relevant is to hear the stories of the people," Melissa James, program associate of the Discovering and Claiming Our Callings initiative in Pathways, said.

The event will start at 3:45 p.m. in the Buckmaster Room with a presentation by the women, followed by an interfaith wor-

ship for peace in the chapel.

The women agreed to come and share their stories because they believe that dialogue is the only hope for the future of America's role in the world community.

The "Jerusalem Women Speak" project was started by an American woman, Jerri Bird, who worked in the American consulate and was concerned with the violence in the Middle East. She felt women's voices must be heard.

While Wartburg is its only college stop in Iowa, the group also will speak at Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind., the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wis., Gustavus Adolphus in St. Peter, Minn., and George

Washington University in Washington, D.C.

"By hosting events such as this, we strengthen our commitment as a community to both be aware of what is going on in our world as well as to live our lives in ways that build peace," James said.

For more information about the Jerusalem women or about the project, check out www.wartburg.edu/discovering/events.html.

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Erica Finken/TRUMPET

POSTLUDE—Senior Kari Tindall, right, recounts her duet with senior Brianne Borgie to senior Jamie Kelley, bottom. Senior music majors are required to give a senior recital before graduation.

'Wartburg Writes' editor presents magazine at graduate conference

By ALAN SIMMER
Staff Writer

Senior Erica Judisch, editor of "Wartburg Writes," will present a paper about the magazine and lead a panel discussion on writing outside the lines for the "With Pen in Hand" graduate conference April 8 and 9 at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Va.

Judisch has served as the editor for "Wartburg Writes" since its debut. In spring 2003, "Dr. (Sonja) Lynch and I talked about (the program), and it seemed like a good fit because I'm interested in going into publishing," Judisch said.

"Wartburg Writes" is funded by an academic partnership program, and part of the requirement for funding is that work be presented in a public forum. For a program in an English field, this usually means a presentation of a paper at a conference.

After Judisch submitted an abstract to the conference organizers about the "Wartburg Writes" program, she was invited to give a full presentation.

This is "quite an honor," according to "Wartburg Writes" adviser Dr. Sonja Lynch, assistant professor of English, and "(the invite) speaks highly of Erica's initiative to have her be an undergraduate" and help lead a graduate-level conference.

"I think that the conference is a good opportunity for 'Wartburg Writes' to share what we've been

doing," Judisch said.

Next up for "Wartburg Writes" is a plan for new modification and more campus recognition. Lynch said the biggest issue now is publicity.

"Ultimately, for 'Wartburg Writes,' we'd like to make it a more accessible and visible portal in some ways for writing issues and concerns," Lynch said.

Steps to make this happen include links to other sites for writing assistance for students and pedagogical help for faculty. Also, due to be published on the Web site are editor's picks from various campus publications.

Already, "Wartburg Writes" "has changed so much in the scope and format," Judisch said. "It's definitely been an interesting couple of years."

"Wartburg Writes" is an online publication launched in 2003 that "highlights writing done by people in all facets of the Wartburg community," Lynch said.

Numerous students and faculty members, including Ron Matthias, the Rev. Dr. Fred Strickert, professor of religion, and the Rev. Ramona Bouzard, director of church relations and associate in campus ministry, have been published on the "Wartburg Writes" Web site at public.wartburg.edu/wwrites.

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SCOOP VOLLEY—Senior Vedran Solaja works on his comeback win against St. Norbert.

Back on track

Tennis wins in four of last five meets

By NICK PETAROS
Sports Editor

The Wartburg men's tennis team got back on track over break as it won four of its last five meets in the last two weeks. Friday the Knights won the doubles point and came back from set deficits in two singles matches to secure a 5-2 win over St. Norbert (Wisc.).

Against St. Norbert, Wartburg captured the doubles point with an 8-6 win by senior Mark Giesmann and freshman Greg Koenen in the No. 1 doubles match and an 8-5 win from senior Matt Connell and junior Nick Petaros at No. 3. In singles Koenen and senior Blake Flores tallied 6-3, 6-3 and 6-4, 6-0 straight-set wins in the No. 2 and 3 matches, respectively. Senior Vedran Solaja rebounded from a 3-6 first set loss to win the next two sets 6-1, 6-2, clinching the meet in the No. 4 match. Connell also fought from a set down to earn the team's fifth point, winning 2-6, 6-4 and 11-9 in a super-tiebreaker at the No. 5 spot.

The tennis team won two of three matches over conference opponents in the Wartburg PEC March 12. The day started with a 4-3 win over Cornell College and a 7-0 victory against the University of Dubuque. That evening the Knights fell 4-3 to unbeaten conference foe Luther College in a meet that came down to the final match.

Against Cornell, Wartburg won all three doubles matches for the doubles point and tallied singles wins from Giesmann (6-2, 6-2) at No. 1, Flores (6-1, 6-0) at No. 3 and Petaros (6-3, 6-0) at No. 6. Against the University of Dubuque, the Knights won all three doubles matches and earned straight set wins from Flores (6-4, 6-0), freshman Mitch Coffman (6-1, 6-1), Petaros (6-0, 6-0), freshman Josiah Brandt (6-1, 6-2), freshman John Barnes (6-1, 6-4) and junior Sean Kane (6-4, 6-3).

Against Luther, match play started with four singles matches as Flores (4-6, 6-4, 11-9) and Petaros (6-3, 7-6 (7-5)) earned wins to tie the score at 2. Solaja threatened to make the score 3-1 after a second set comeback forced his match into a super-tiebreaker. In the super-tiebreaker he was defeated 10-6. Play then shifted to doubles where the Norse won all three matches for the doubles point to take a 3-2 lead. At No. 1 singles Giesmann tied the meet up with a thrilling 5-7, 7-5, 11-9 win. The Norse clinched the meet in No. 2 singles, as Koenen was defeated 6-3, 6-3.

Wartburg tennis will return to action at 4 p.m. Thursday in Indianola against conference rival Simpson College. The team is now 7-8 overall and 4-3 in conference play.

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Baseball looks for ninth IIAC title

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For the past eight years, the Iowa Conference has known only one conference champion in baseball. If this year's Wartburg team has anything to do with it, that number will increase to nine.

"Nothing less than another conference title is expected with this team," junior catcher Brian Greiner said. "Regionals are also always in the expectations, but we want to get a berth into the World Series."

A conference championship and beyond is definitely realistic for the team that returns five National Baseball Coaches Association All-Central Region Selections. Although they won the school's eighth straight conference championship, a loss to Simpson in the conference finals prematurely ended the Knights' season last year.

With Wartburg returning many key players from last year, including four starting pitchers, the Knights look to be a balanced team.

"Overall, we should be balanced in all three areas. We have a number of guys returning from last year, and I feel very confident with this group of guys," head coach Joel Holst said.

On the pitching side of things, Wartburg returns seniors Matt Scherbring and Charlie Colvin, who went 15-4 combined last season. Juniors Ryan Moorman and Tyler

Archer will look to solidify an experienced pitching staff this year, while junior Matt Petersen could see some time in the bullpen as well as filling in as the fifth starter.

"I think our pitching will be strong. We return all four starters from last year. We lost our set-up guy, but we picked up some young arms," Greiner said. One of the young arms is freshman Aaron Saeugling, who has already thrown seven innings in the young season.

On the offensive and defensive side of the field, Wartburg looks as strong as ever. Greiner will solidify the catching position after coming off a season in which he hit almost .400 including seven home runs and 54 RBIs. Seniors Joel Reynolds and Chris Robertson will occupy the corners of the infield, while senior Aaron Port and junior Patrick Henderson return to their outfield positions. Junior Tom Kersbergen and Casey Pauli will likely round out the infield, while the third outfield spot as well as the designated hitter spot are still up in the air.

Coming into the season, Holst needed just 11 wins to reach 300 with Wartburg and 400 for his career. This spring, the Knights are sitting on a 7-3 record including a 20-14 win against Monmouth College on their Florida trip.

As with most teams in early spring, Wartburg has struggled with consistency so far this season.

"Many times we have shown that we could be a really good team, but there are other times that we were inconsistent," Holst said of the spring ball thus far.

The Iowa Conference looks to be a tough battle again this year with Simpson and Luther projected to finish second and third in the conference standings. Coe could be another threat, as it only graduated three seniors from a team that went 26-18 last year.

After having its home opener snowed out last weekend, Wartburg will eliminate the weather altogether as it plays its next two games in the Metrodome in Minneapolis. The Knights will play Graceland at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, and at 5 p.m. Saturday against William Penn. The first conference match-up for the Knights will be on April 2, as they play host to Central College at 1 p.m.

Spring Break Results

Wartburg 3, 3	St. Olaf 1, 2
Wartburg 20, 7	Monmouth 14, 6
Wartburg 8	College of New Jersey 11
Wartburg 3	Wabash 5
Wartburg 4	Curry 3
Wartburg 13	Mt. St. Joseph 8
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Deuces Wild: Wartburg takes second behind efforts by Hinschberger, Carter

By RICHARD PODHAJSKY
Assistant Sports Editor

The Wartburg wrestling team rode two national championship performances to a second-place finish at the Division III National Wrestling Championships March 4 and 5 in Northfield, Minn. It was the 11th time in the last 13 seasons that the Knights finished in the top two.

"It feels great," junior 197-pound national champ Akeem Carter said. "I had three purposes to win this

today. One was to glorify God's name, second my brother is in the Army and I wanted the news to get to him that I'm a national champion and third I wanted to represent Wartburg. I think I did all three of those today."

The Knights picked up repeat championships from both Carter and junior 141-pounder Dustin Hinschberger, who finished the season 42-1 with his only loss coming to UNI's Mark Manchio.

"The first one (championship) is as hard as the second," Hinschberger said. "It feels great. It's awesome, unbeliev-

able."

Wartburg finished with seven All-Americans. Sophomore heavyweight Blake Gillis, who lost for the second consecutive year to UW-La Crosse's Ryan Allen, took second place. Junior 133-pounder Tyler Hubbard won third, while senior 125-pounder Justin McClintock took fourth. Junior 197-pounder Scott Kauffman overcame an ankle injury in the quarterfinals to take fifth. Freshman 149-pounder Jacob Naig took sixth.

The Knights suffered some setbacks during the first day, losing three wrestlers and dropping out of the team race for first place. Augsburg ran away during the first day, going up by 21 points heading into the second day and finishing with the second-most points in Division III wrestling history. The Auggies also had 10 All-Americans. Wartburg recovered on the second day to hold off a hard-charging Luther team for second place, beating the Norse 104.5 points to 100 points.

Head coach Jim Miller was glad they came in second. He didn't want to come in third, especially to Luther.

Hinschberger, who was a No. 1-seed, marched to the championship by beating Mike Gaeta of Springfield, 11-5. He followed that with an 8-0 major decision over Tenkoran Agyeman of Oswego and beat Simpson's Dustin Brewer, 5-2. He then beat Augsburg's Jamell Tidwell, 4-1.

"I just focused on what I beat him with at the beginning of the year," Hinschberger said. "I kind of had a plan, stuck to it, and the plan worked."

Carter, also seeded No. 1, started his run to his second national championship with a 9-3 win over Devin Carmen of Baldwin-Wallace. He then majored Coe's Mike McCabe, 9-0, before beating Will Weiss of Brockport, 7-4. In the championship match, Carter beat Jamall Johnson of Delaware Valley, 5-0.

"Well, every time I came into the finals so far, it was somebody big," Carter said. "Knowing me, I'm just quick. I've got the technique and I adjusted that."

While Wartburg loses five national qualifiers to graduation, the five returning wrestlers are all All-Americans, starting with Hinschberger and Carter, and including Naig, Kauffman and Gillis.

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NO. 1, AGAIN—Junior Akeem Carter sets up a shot during the National Championships March 4-5. Carter won his second title at 197 pounds.

Track wins national honors

Senior Missy Buttry was named National Indoor Athlete of the Year while coach Marcus Newsom was named National Coach of the Year. It is Buttry's third straight season receiving the award, while Newsom won for the second consecutive season.

Wrestlers All-American Scholars

Senior wrestlers Brandon Brissette and Mark Sturm both were placed on the 2005 National Wrestling Coaches Association's Division III Scholar All-America team. This is the third appearance on the team for both. 2005 also marks the 12th consecutive year Wartburg has had at least one student-athlete on the team.

Peth Coach of the Year

Wartburg men's basketball head coach Dick Peth received Iowa Conference Coach of the Year honors for the second time at Wartburg. Peth received the award after guiding the Knights to the regular season conference title and their fifth straight 20-plus win season.

D3hoops.com tabs Schmidt all-region

Junior Nate Schmidt received national recognition, being placed on D3hoops.com's all-region second team. Schmidt, who won the 2005 Iowa Conference Most Valuable Player, led the conference in blocked shots and placed in the top 10 in five categories.

Softball still unbeaten after 4-0 week on road

By NICK PETAROS
Sports Editor

The No. 22-ranked Wartburg women's softball team improved its record to 13-0 with a pair of doubleheader road wins over William Penn Friday and the College of St. Mary Saturday in Omaha, Neb.

Against the College of St. Mary, the Knight offense was firing on all cylinders as it tallied 21 runs for the 21-1 game one win. In the second game of the doubleheader, Wartburg outscored St. Mary 6-3.

Friday against William Penn, junior pitcher Jackie Sorenson earned her sixth win of the season as she surrendered only one run in six innings en route to the Knight's 5-1 opening-game win. In what became a pitcher's duel, Wartburg found itself trailing 0-1 heading into the top of the sixth inning. The Knights rallied back in the sixth, scoring five runs. Junior shortstop Kari Kinzenbaw came through with three of Wartburg's six hits in the game in addition to scoring a run in the sixth-inning rally.

In game two of the doubleheader, both teams' offenses awakened as the Knights

out-hit William Penn 13 to 11, leading to a 10-6 win. Wartburg jumped out to a quick 5-0 lead in the first two innings, before William Penn countered with three runs in the third. The Knights answered back, scoring in three of the next four innings to maintain the lead.

Junior Deb Schindler led the Knight offense going three for four at the plate with two RBIs and a run scored. Freshman pitcher Amber Vaughn earned the win, improving her record to 5-0.

Over spring break, the softball team got off to a hot start, going 9-0 in the Rebel Spring Games in Kissimmee, Fla. Methodist College provided the Knights with the closest contest over break as Wartburg pulled ahead in the bottom of the sixth for a 2-1 win. Sorenson pitched all seven innings in the game, striking out 12 opposing batters.

This weekend, Wartburg will attempt to keep its perfect record intact as it travels to St. Louis for a doubleheader Friday against Centre College (Ky.) and Saturday games against Illinois Wesleyan and Washington (Mo.).

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National photo finish

Buttry and Burns pull indoor track within four points of title



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FORWARD LEAN—Sophomore Bridget Burns goes from second place to national champion in her last stride of the 400-meter final.By ANDREW DRYSDALE
Sports Writer

An old hand and a first-time national champion led Wartburg's women's track team to its highest-ever finish in a national meet Saturday, March 12, at Illinois-Wesleyan in Bloomington, Ill. The Knights took second place with 32 points. The University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh won the meet with 36. Wins by senior Missy Buttry, sophomore Bridget Burns and the distance medley relay team led the way.

Day one saw Buttry anchor the distance medley relay to a national championship, crossing the line in a meet and stadium record along with a Div. III season best 11:41.66. Sophomore Jill Wagaman ran the first leg, staying with the lead pack. From there, senior Lindsay Albertsen took the 400m leg, handing off to freshman Heidi Porter for the 800m leg. Buttry anchored with the mile leg, run-

ning down the leaders and finishing 14 seconds ahead of Amherst College.

Buttry ran away with the mile race on day two, winning in a time of 4:43.92, again a meet and forum record and season best. Shauneen Garrahan of Amherst College was runner-up at 4:54.78.

The mile brought Buttry's total national championships to 12, three behind the NCAA record held by Suleiman Nyambui of the University of Texas-El Paso. It also gave Buttry 16 All-American honors.

Wartburg's third national champion of the weekend was Bridget Burns in the 400 meter. Burns had to run a Division III season best to win a squeaker of a race, just out-leaning freshman Rachel Anderson of Illinois-Wesleyan on her home track in 56.68, winning by .07 seconds.

The 4x400m relay team of sophomore Steph Arey, junior Ashley Williams, freshman Allison Ford and Burns took seventh in 3:58.92, to earn All-American honors.

Freshman thrower Jessica Bates, in her

first national meet experience, got a mark of 46' 7" in the hammer.

"We are definitely fired up about the way things ended," head coach Marcus Newsom said. "Missy and Bridget did great in their individual events today to win championships. The 4x400 team had been battling through some challenges due to injuries and did a good job in the finals as well. I am very thankful to the men and women who competed here."

Senior Josh Moen was the only male qualifier. He placed sixth in the 5000m run, earning him another All-American certificate. Moen struggled with injuries earlier in the year and, despite leading most of the race, wasn't able to hold on as cross country rival Macharia Yuot of Widener unleashed an incredible kick in the last 600m. Moen clocked in at 14:40.18 while Yuot won in a time of 14:34.72.

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tough task for ButtryBy ANDREW DRYSDALE
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Senior distance runner Missy Buttry added a second appearance at the International Association of Athletics Federations' World Cross Country Championships to her already outstanding running resumé. Buttry's time of 15:19 placed 90th out of a field of 106 of the world's best distance runners in Saint Etienne/Saint Galmier, France, Sunday. Last year she placed 60th at the championships.

Former Stanford standout Laura Fleshman's 13:44 led the American contingent to their third-place finish

behind perennial international powerhouses Ethiopia and Kenya. The race between the Ethiopians and Kenyans is always close, and this year the Ethiopians pulled out a one-point victory, 18-19. The Americans were third with 67.

Former University of North Carolina standout Shalane Flanagan, who gave up her senior year to turn pro, and Olympian Shayne Culpepper, as well as team captain Blake Russell and Amy Mortimer joined Buttry and Fleshman in France.

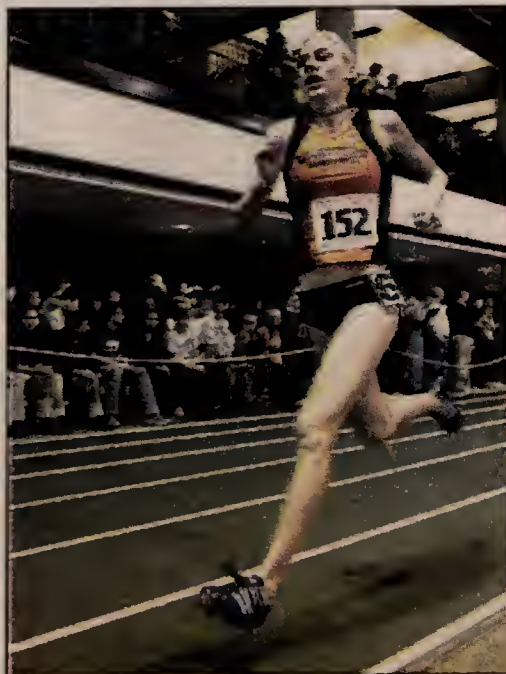
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WORDLY WISE—Senior Missy Buttry ran in France Sunday.

Rich Rites

Everyone's an expert

Ah, late March. The national wrestling tournament takes place, the Cubs are still mathematically in the play-off hunt and spring officially starts. Oh, and then there's a little thing basketball fans like to call the "Big Dance."

Yes, the NCAA basketball tournament seems to bring out the best in people. Even seemingly normal people who haven't seen a game all year suddenly become fanatics, using up sick days to make sure they picked the correct 12-5 upset.

Most people call this March Madness.

But I think there's a better term for it — March Genius. It seems during the middle of March, every person's sports IQ goes up about 100 points.

I observed a display of this Tuesday from some old high school buddies, who I thought were completely sane. They quickly proved otherwise.

As I walked into my friend's apartment, I could hear some chatter among about 10 people. They were discussing the NCAA tournament. More specifically, they were talking about the three state schools that made it.

The Iowa fans were outnumbered, but they struggled on despite it, using the final score of the Iowa-Iowa State game, which obviously meant nothing. This once quiet conversation slowly crescendoed into an all-out sports debate, with numbers flying around the room like bullets at an NRA meeting.

One of my friends, who had been quietly watching, then said to me, "Tell me when you guys are done arguing sports. I'm not getting involved."

I was intrigued at this denial of his feelings on the intrastate rivalry and asked him why he wasn't partaking in the argument, I mean, discussion.

"Because, no one here actually knows what they are talking about and all they are doing is repeating what they saw on Sportscenter, which everyone interprets in a different way. All of which are wrong," my friend calmly said.

This obviously meant that he hadn't watched enough TV in the last couple of days to improve his March IQ to the point to be included in the argument, I mean, discussion. That is, until about fifteen seconds later, when these words came out of the very same friend's mouth.

"You guys are all idiots!"

He then went on to prove why Iowa was the best team in the state in not only basketball, but also in football, which had come up a few moments earlier. This is when a useless information grenade went off in the room, with names and numbers from the past five years littering the air. I think I even heard Jared DeVries' name come up at one point.

Despite all of their goading, I refused to get involved because, after all, what's the point in arguing when you know you're right? And if you disagree with me, I have the numbers from ESPN to back me up.

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